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STATUS INQUIRY LETTER

Dear Sir:

Applicants request information as to the status of the above-identified case. The case was filed January 27, 2004, and no first action has been received.

Please respond to the below-identified attorney. If a fee is needed, please charge deposit account 17-0055.

Respectfully submitted,

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